PART II—Section 2.

NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT.

No. 29, *dated* 29*th May* 1926.

The New Indian Guests' Quarters will be closed to the public from the 11th to 30th June 1926, both days inclusive.

No. 3213—C. *B.* 20-25, *dated* 10*th June* 1926.

In exercise of the powers vested in them under Section 6 (2) (b) of the Mysore Legislative Council Regulation XIX of 23, the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore are pleased to nominate Khan Bahadur A. A. Khan, Acting Agent and Secretary to Government, Mysore Railways, as a Member of the Mysore Legislative Council *vice* Mr. C. Doye-Wilson absent from Mysore on leave.

No. 3218—*C. B.* 20-25, *dated* 10*th June* 1926.

In exercise of the powers vested in them under section 6 (2) (b) of the Mysore Legislative Council Regulation XIX of 23, the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore are pleased to nominate Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Saheb, Acting Revenue Secretary to Government, as a Member of the Mysore Legislative Council *vice* Rajakaryaprasakta Diwan Bahadur M. N. Krishna Rao.

Notification No. 16, *dated* 15*th June* 1926.

The marginally noted Regulations for the recruitment of probationers for the Indian Forest Service in India in 1926 are published for general information.

i. Regulations for the appointment in India of probationers for the Indian Forest Service in 1926.
ii. Form of declaration as health to be completed by candidates examined by a medical board.
iii. Application form for probationership for the Imperial Forest Service.

2. Applications from the intending candidates should reach the Chief Secretary to Government on or before the 20th June 1926.

By Order,
P. G. D'SOUZA,
Chief Secretary to Government.

REGULATIONS FOR THE APPOINMENT IN INDIA OF PROBATIONERS FOR THE INDIAN FOREST SERVICE IN 1926.

A competitive examination to select 2 candidates for training for the Indian Fores Service will be held at Allahabad in the month of August 1926.

2. Applications from residents in Ajmer, Baluchistan, Coorg, Delhi and North-West Frontier Province should be addressed to the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Education, Health and Lands, through the Chief Commissioners of those Administrations, and from residents in Indian States through the Political Officer or Agent *in time to reach the Government of India not later than the 30th June 1926.* Applications from residents in other territories should be addressed to the local Government concerned *in time to reach it not later than the 30th June 1926.* Copies of the regulations and of the forms of application may be obtained from the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Education, Health and Lands, the Revenue Secretaries to the Governments of Assam, Bengal, Bihar and Orissa, the Secretaries, Forest Department, Governments of the Central Provinces and United Provinces and the Secretaries, Development Department, Governments of Madras and the Punjab; the Chief Commissioners of Ajmer, Coorg and Delhi; the Chief Commissioner and Agent to the Governor-General in the North-West Frontier Province; the Agent to the Governor-General and Chief Commissioner in Baluchistan and Political Officers of Indian States.

3. All applications must be accompanied by the following certificates :—

(*a*) A certificate of age (see paragraph 4 below).

(*b*) A certificate that the candidate is a 'native of India' within the meaning assigned to these words by section 6 of 33 Vict., Cap. 3.

(*c*) Two certificates of recent date signed by individuals of standing which must state that the candidate is of good moral character.

(*d*) A certificate that the candidate has obtained an Honour's degree or the degree of M.A. or M.Sc. of a University approved by the Governor-General in Council or the senior diploma of the Mayo College, Ajmer.

(NOTE.—The list of approved Universities will be published shortly and will include all Universities incorporated by law in British India, the Mysore University and the Osmania University, Hyderabad.)

(*e*) A preliminary medical certificate of fitness for service in the Forest Department signed by a Presidency Surgeon or the Civil Surgeon of the district in which the applicant resides, or a residency or agency Surgeon. This certificate is intended to prevent applications from candidates who are obviously physically unsuited for the Forest Service and will not exempt candidates from appearance before the final Medical Board.

4. All candidates must have attained the age of 19 years and must not have attained the age of 23 years on the 1st April 1926.

5. A candidate will be required to pay a fee of Rs. 5 with his application and a candidate chosen for admission to the written examination will be required to pay a further fee of Rs. 50.

6. All candidates will be required to appear before a Board for a personal interview for which 1,000 marks will be allotted. No candidate who fails to obtain 600 marks at this interview will be allowed to sit for the written examination. The marks so allotted will count in the total of the written examination.

7. All candidates who are selected as described in paragraph 6 will be required to undergo a physical test consisting of a walk of about 15 miles to be completed within a given time.

8. After the physical test all candidates will be required to undergo examination by a Medical Board.

9. Candidates who have successfully passed the tests described in paragraphs 6, 7 and 8 will be permitted to sit for the written examination.

10. The examination will include the following subjects. Each subject will carry the number of marks shown against it.

SECTION A.—*Compulsory.*

1.	English Essay	1,000
2.	Ordinary everyday knowledge	1,000
3.	Mathematics	1,000
4.	One of the following—	
	Botany	1,000
	Chemistry	1,000
	Geology and Physiography	1,000

Every candidate must obtain at least 60 per cent in each of the compulsory subjects.

SECTION B.—*Optional.*

(Any two subjects may be taken.)

Botany	1,000*
Chemistry	1,000*
Geology and Physiography	1,000*
Zoology	1,000
Higher Mathematics	1,000
Physics	1,000

NOTE.—In each of the above subjects 50 marks will be allotted for handwriting.

11. Candidates will not be paid any travelling allowance. No allowance for board and lodging will be made and candidates must make their own arrangements in this respect.

12. The candidates selected for training for the I. F. S. on the results of this test will be required to proceed to the Forest College at Dehra Dun for the course of training commencing on 1st November 1926 which will extend over a period of two years and which must be undergone satisfactorily before appointment to the Indian Forest Service.

13. Selected candidates while under training will be entitled to receive payment of all their fees at the Forest College and travelling allowances in connection with their training subject to a maximum of Rs. 450 a year in addition to a stipend which will normally not

*Provided they have not been taken as a compulsory subject.

exceed Rs. 150 a month. The grant of these allowances will be subject to the following conditions :—

(*a*) that the progress of the probationer in his studies is satisfactory ;

(*b*) that the probationer gives security to refund the payments in the event of his failing to qualify for an appointment in the Indian Forest Service, or not signing the articles of agreement as specified in paragraph 16 or failing to join the Indian Forest Service at the end of the period of probation ;

(*c*) that the probationer undertakes to refund in proportions fixed under the terms of his agreement the amounts received in the event of his leaving the Service during the first 5 years from the date of his appointment.

14. *Conduct.*—Every probationer is required to conduct himself during the period of probation in a manner satisfactory to the Governor-General in Council and to give evidence of satisfactory progress in his studies in such a manner as may be required, failing which, or in the event of serious misconduct, he is liable to have his name removed from the list of probationers.

15. *Appointment and seniority.*—Probationers who comply with the requirements of paragraph 12 within the sanctioned period of time, and also satisfy such other tests as may be prescribed, are appointed Assistant Conservators in the Indian Forest Department, provided they are of sound constitution and free from physical defects which would render them unsuitable for employment in the Indian Forest Service. No probationer will be confirmed as a member of the Indian Forest Service who fails to profit by the course of training or who appears, in the light of the experience acquired as to his capacity and qualifications during the probationary period, to be unsuited for the work of a forest officer.

The position of the Assistant Conservators in the Provincial Forest Lists will be determined in accordance with the results of the periodical and final examinations held during the course of training at Dehra Dun. Assistant Conservators will take rank in the general seniority list according to the date of their confirmation in the Indian Forest Service.

Probationers are allowed at the end of the period of probation to state their preference in respect to the province to which they desire to be allotted ; but the distribution is made to the several provinces according to the needs of the public service, at the discretion of the Governor-General in Council and no guarantee can be given that probationers will, on appointment, be posted to their own provinces.

Officers are at all times liable to be transferred from one province to another at the pleasure of the Government of India.

16. *Articles of agreement.*—A probationer is required, on qualifying for appointment as Assistant Conservator, to sign articles of agreement setting forth the terms and conditions of his appointment.

17. The scale of pay and allowances in force for officers of Indian domicile is given in Appendix II to these regulations.

18. *Promotion and pension.*—Promotion and pension are governed by the regulations laid down by the Secretary of State for India in Council, and applicable to forest officers, such regulations being subject to any modifications or alterations which may be made in them from time to time by him and their interpretation in case of any doubt arising being left to that authority.

Certain information regarding appointments in the upper controlling staff of the Indian Forest Service will be found in Appendix II and a summary of information regarding pensions, is contained in Appendix III.

APPENDIX I.

SYLLABUS OF THE ENTRANCE EXAMINATION.

A.—*Compulsory.*

Essay.—An essay to be written in English on one of several specified subjects.

Ordinary Everyday Knowledge.—Questions will be asked on ordinary facts of everyday life, simple economic questions, the explanation of things seen daily and contemporary history in India and the world generally.

Mathematics.—A pratical knowledge of Arithmetic, Algebra, up to and including quadratic equations and simple problems, Mensuration, Geometry (including the first 3 books of Euclid) and elementary Trigonometry including the solution of triangles and the use of logarithms.

Botany General Morphology, root, stem, leaf, inflorescence, seed, fruit, texture, habit.

Anatomy.—Cells, tissues, structure of parts, bark, shedding of leaves, etc.

Physiology.—Nutrition, growth, reproduction.

Classification.—Systematic botany with special reference to India.

Chemistry.—Nomenclature ; symbols ; formulæ ; equations ; physical and chemical changes.